



# Design Moving Forward on Façades

**Time:** July 30, 2012 at 5:00 pm  
**Location:** Ditto's – 404 E. O&M Avenue  
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The City of North Vernon has seen overwhelming response to the request for applications for façade grants for downtown buildings.

“We now have 40 applications for façade grants on file,” said Mayor Harold “Soup” Campbell. “Just about every eligible downtown property owner is interested in participating.”

With such strong interest, funding will unfortunately not be enough to complete all the projects. The City has funding for approximately 26 downtown properties.

The 26 properties to be included in the program were chosen based on the location of the businesses. All of the properties in the highest priority area downtown were able to be funded. A series of properties in highly visible locations along Walnut Street will also be completed at this time.

“We established these priority areas when we submitted for the grant. We will be able to complete both façade work and work on these blocks. This means the transformation of our downtown will be easy to see and will have the most impact,” said Mayor Campbell.

Letters have been sent to all applicants, providing them an update on the program. Businesses selected for participation in the program have been invited to an Open House on July 30 at 5:00 pm at Ditto's (404 E. O&M Avenue) to discuss the next steps in the program.

Additional information about North Vernon's Stellar Community projects can be found at [www.northvernonstellar.com](http://www.northvernonstellar.com). For more information contact the Jennings County EDC office at (812) 346-2388.